

## **GDW Meeting Summary for November 3, 2021**

**2021 Houston Area GIS Day Update:** The Houston Area GIS Day event for high school students will take place virtually on Tuesday, November 16 in just less than two weeks. The event serves as a small part of the statewide, all-virtual TxGIS Day. The TxGIS Day is three days of interactive workshops, demonstrations, and programs celebrating the advancement of geospatial technology and is taking place from November 15-17, 2021. To provide content or volunteer to help plan for the Houston Area GIS Day on the 16<sup>th</sup>, please visit the [volunteer signup](#) page to sign up. For more information about the 2021 Houston Area GIS Day, the mentorship program, and all the associated social media pages, please visit the [event website](#) or contact [HoustonAreaGISDayOrg@gmail.com](mailto:HoustonAreaGISDayOrg@gmail.com) with questions.

**2021 Houston Regional GIS Expo Update:** Similar to the GIS Day event described above, the Houston Regional GIS Expo event for GIS professionals will take place virtually on Monday, November 15 in just less than two weeks. This event also serves as a small part of the statewide, all-virtual TxGIS Day. The TxGIS Day is three days of interactive workshops, demonstrations, and programs celebrating the advancement of geospatial technology and is taking place from November 15-17, 2021. The GIS Expo will include an all-day presentation schedule and virtual map gallery, among other presentations from the TxGIS Day. To become a sponsor, view the event schedule, or enter the map gallery and contest, please visit the [event website](#) or contact [DSGIS@h-gac.com](mailto:DSGIS@h-gac.com) with questions. All sponsorship funds raised in 2021 are used exclusively to fund student prizes/gift cards for the Houston Area GIS Day event.

**2022 H-GAC Aerial Imagery Cost-Share Update:** The deadline to register for the 2022 Aerial Imagery Cost-Share program passed on Monday, November 1 and there were 38 registrants for the program during this registration period. H-GAC now moves into the next phase of the program which consists of delivering coverage maps, price quotes, letters on intent, and a pricing sheet which is new this year. These four documents along with instructions via email will help registrants determine the coverage and price they wish to participate at in 2022. There are still about 10 registrants who need to send in their coverage selection so that H-GAC can deliver the four aforementioned documents to move along in the program. H-GAC did come up with a new tiered pricing system for 2022 which will be shared with all participants via the pricing sheet so every can see the pricing breakdowns. If your quote seems too high, you can contact H-GAC

who can unlock your coverage selection to allow you to move to a lower pricing tier that fits your budget or in special cases H-GAC can work with you on a price that better aligns with your budget. Lastly, all participants will receive both 6 Inch RGB and 6 Inch CIR in both physical and electronic formats this year. To submit your coverage selection if you haven't yet, please visit the [project website](#) or contact [DSGIS@h-gac.com](mailto:DSGIS@h-gac.com) with questions.

**Guest Presentation – Cyclomedia Street Level Imagery and Lidar Services:** Paul Madrid with Cyclomedia Technology, Inc. presented an overview of the company and demonstrated their latest StreetSmart technology that is comprised of data capture, data visualization, and data insights from street level imagery and lidar data. More information on these products and solution from Cyclomedia can be found on the [company website](#) or by contacting [Paul Madrid](#) and [Matt Thomas](#) from Cylomedia to find out how they can provide your organization with a StreetSmart solution that fits your needs.

**Announcements/Other Items:**

- There are currently seven open GIS positions from across the H-GAC region from employers such as Harris County, the City of La Porte, CenterPoint Energy, and more. Information and applications for these positions can be found on Esri's regional GIS jobs board that is assessible via the link below.
  - <https://myago.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/5c110a18938f4390b3cbbf7021c61aa4>